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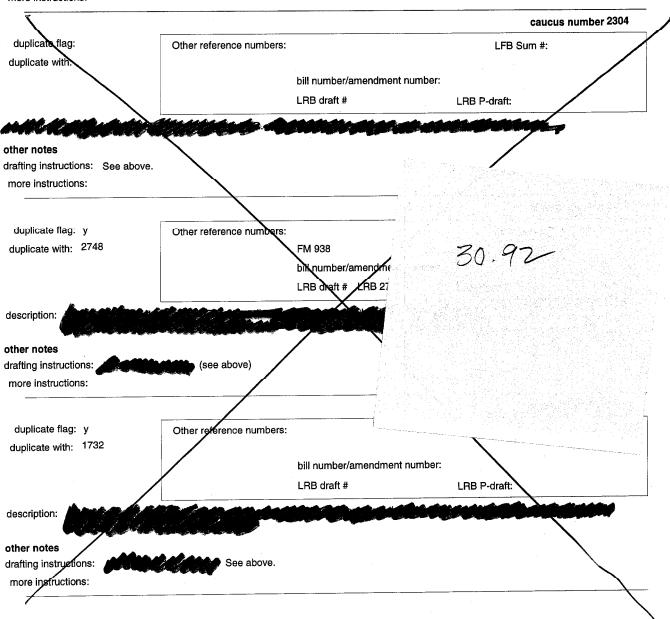
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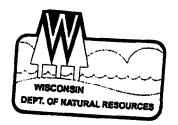
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Description: Earmark \$212,000 of the funds administered by the Wisconsin Waterways Commission in 1999-2000 as 50% matching funds for a dredging project of a navigable channel on Lake Michigan within Milwaukee Harbor. Project does not need to be placed on recreational boating priority list.

Fiscal effect: Earmarks funds within existing appropriation.

Attachments: Letter from DNR Secretary Meyer describing miscue in the application process that led Milwaukee County to believe matching funding would be available.



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Dear Ms. Lutzka:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the potential dredging project inside the South Shore breakwater. I can appreciate how frustrating this situation is for you, members of the County's Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture, and the Department of Public Works. It is important to understand this series of events did not occur as a result of a decision of the Waterways Commission. The proposed dredging activities have never been presented to the Commission for their review. Department of Natural Resources (DNR) staff serve as liaisons to engineering, matching budgets, etc., prior to the project being submitted to the Commission for review.

Unfortunately, Department staff erred in initially judging the project eligible for funding. However, the fact remains that the eligibility of this and any project is determined by statute. Maintenance activities, such as channel dredging, have been ineligible in the program since its inception. In 1987, the law was amended to include the dredging of channel of waterways for recreational boating purposes as an eligible activity but only for inland bodies of water. After further staff review of your project, it became clear that it was ineligible for funding under the recreational boating facilities program.

In answer to your second question, there are, unfortunately, no other sources of funds for the dredging of channels for recreational boating purposes on the Great Lakes.

Again, thank you for your letter. I apologize for any miscommunication and inconvenience we may have caused. I do hope we can work together in the future on other worthy local projects, and ask you to understand that our authority on matters such as this is clearly defined and hound by statute.

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George E. Meyer

Secretary

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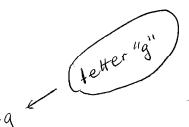
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